

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2013 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Brian Hamilton	-Economic Development Director
	Angie Hill	-Financial & Management Services Director
	Karen Edmonds	-Human Resources Director
	Ruth Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors
ABSENT:	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order.

### **INTO WORK SESSION -5:30 p.m.**

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. Update on the County's Health Insurance Renewal for FY 2014

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matthew R. Gabriele	None
Christopher A. Tuck	
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
Annette S. Perkins	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

### **OUT OF WORK SESSION**

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Christopher A. Tuck	None
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
Annette S. Perkins	
Gary D. Creed	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

### **INTO CLOSED MEETING – 6:15 p.m.**

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

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| Section 2.2-3711 (3) | Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition of Real Property for Public Purpose, or of the Disposition of Publicly Held Real Property, Where Discussion in an Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Bargaining Position or Negotiating Strategy of the Public Body |
|                      | 1. Old Blacksburg Middles School Property   |
|                      | 2. Old Prices Fork Elementary School Property   |

- (1) Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment, Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Disciplining or Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any Public Body
1. Economic Development Authority
  2. NRV Economic Development Alliance
  3. Parks & Recreation Commission
  4. Planning Commission

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

### **OUT OF CLOSED MEETING**

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT DURING VOTE</u>
William H. Brown	None	Annette S. Perkins
Mary W. Biggs		Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele		
Gary D. Creed		
James D. Politis		

## **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

### **VOTE**

#### **AYES**

William H. Brown  
Mary W. Biggs  
Christopher A. Tuck  
Matthew R. Gabriele  
Gary D. Creed  
Annette S. Perkins  
James D. Politis

#### **NAYS**

None

#### **ABSENT DURING VOTE**

None

#### **ABSENT DURING MEETING**

None

## **INVOCATION**

A moment of silence was led by the Chair.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## **DELEGATIONS**

### **Virginia Department of Transportation**

David Clarke, VDOT, provided an update on road projects/issues in Montgomery County. VDOT has mostly been dealing with severe weather related problems due to snow and flooding. Numerous roads and ditches have been washed out due to the flooding and are in need of repair.

Mr. Clarke reported the public hearing on the County's Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for Secondary Roads will be scheduled for April 8, 2013. The Board of Supervisors will need to adopt the plan by June 2013.

### **Presentation of Montgomery County School Board Budget for FY 2013-2014**

Montgomery County School Board Chair, Wendell Jones, provided opening remarks. He thanked the Board of Supervisors for their past support. He spoke passionately about how the school system not only provides an education, but may be the only place some children have food for the day, a warm place in the winter, and the only place they see a smile or encouragement from adults. Mr. Jones stated that supporting education should be a priority. The Montgomery County School Board is presenting a needs based budget that will be provided in more detail by the School Superintendent.

Brenda Blackburn, Superintendent of Schools, presented the Montgomery County School Board's Budget for FY 2013-2014 totaling \$96,178,314, a \$4,209,134.00 increase as follows:

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Operating Budget FY 2012-13</b>	1,459.69	INC./(DEC.)	91,969,180
<b>Required Operating Increases:</b>			
Reduction of Federal Title funds due to sequestration of 8.2%		\$ 352,068	
Increase in operating costs for new AHS & BHS		\$ 224,000	
Reinstate \$300,000 (of \$1.37 million) in previous cuts to instructional supplies		\$ 300,000	
Reinstate \$4,500 (of \$19,211) in previous cuts to field trips		\$ 4,500	
Increase health insurance cost due to federal law changes and impact of rising health costs (estimated at 2.5%)		\$ 230,600	
Shift remaining 4.0% of employee share of VRS contribution to employee. (Cost of 4% of VRS moved from VRS account to salary scales. Additional cost to School Board is the increase in benefit cost due to increase in salaries.)		\$ 552,968	
Salary increase for all employees of 2%		\$ 1,625,000	
Restore two vacant maintenance positions for new schools	2.00		\$ 97,898
Restore budget funds for Pay-to- Play from the 2012-13 budget		\$ 72,100	
<b>Total Operating Increases</b>	2.00		\$ 3,459,134

**Capital Increases:**

Replace one time funds for building repair roof maintenance plan	\$ 250,000	
Replace one time funds for 21st Century classroom improvements	\$ 150,000	
Replace one time funds for replacement of aging school buses ( 4 ea)	\$ 350,000	
<b>Total Capital Increases</b>		\$ 750,000
<b>Total Budget Increases</b>		\$ 4,209,134
<b>Total Proposed Operating Budget FY 2013-2014</b>		\$ 96,178,314

## Revenue Required for Budget Increases:

Projected State Increase	\$ 615,891
Projected Federal Increase	\$ 32,926
Balance required from County Revenue sources without an additional state increase (1 cent increase in County real estate tax rate = \$700,000, 5.1 cent tax increase needed)	\$ 3,560,317
<b>Total Required Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,209,134</b>

Ms. Blackburn reported that the budget focuses on safety and quality instruction. The School Board has dealt with budget reductions at the state level receiving \$10 million less over the past five years. Ms. Blackburn highlighted several areas of the budget including compensation. The Governor's proposed budget for FY 2013-14 includes a 2% salary increase for all funded SOQ instructional positions, but not all employees. For Montgomery County this means only 47.7% of Montgomery County positions would be included in the proposal, which covers approximately 706 positions. Montgomery County would receive an estimated \$490,000 for the 2% raise and \$1,625,000 is needed to provide a 2% increase for all employees. Overall, the School Budget is \$4,209,134 over FY 12 with \$3,560,317 in additional county funding being requested.

Katie Milano, Montgomery County School Board Comptroller, provided technical statistics. A history on revenue, expenditures and student membership was provided.

**PUBLIC HEARING****Proposed Conveyance of a Utility Easement**

**Proposed conveyance of a twenty-foot (20') wide water line easement to the Montgomery County Public Service Authority on the former Elliston Elementary School Property identified as Tax Map No. 060-1-A, Parcel ID. Number 070690.**

The County Attorney reported that the Montgomery County Public Service Authority desires to replace an existing water line located on the former Elliston Elementary School property near Old Roanoke Road. The new location is closer to Roanoke Road/US 460 and will provide a better connection to the main water line in the future.

There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

## **PUBLIC ADDRESS**

Jim O'Dowd addressed the Board in support of education and is in favor of funding to the fullest extent possible. Mr. O'Dowd reported that Save Our School Group forwarded a petition to the Virginia General Assembly lobbying for more state support.

Kelly Pleasant spoke in support of the Proposed FY 14 School Budget as presented. Ms. Pleasant expressed concerns with the state constantly reducing state funds for education. She expressed her gratitude to the Board of Supervisors for filling in the gap. Ms. Pleasant also expressed her concerns with teacher salaries falling behind and even though they strive to keep quality education, she does not know how much longer they will be able to do so if quality teachers leave.

Connie Froggatt addressed the Board in support of the Proposed FY 14 School Budget as presented. Ms. Froggatt stated public education is not an entitlement, it's an investment and needs to be funded. She stated Montgomery County is a high performing school division; however, they are beginning to feel the budget cuts.

Tom Zuckerwar asked the Board of Supervisors to accept and fund the School Board's budget as presented. Mr. Zuckerwar stated last year's budget was primarily about capital investment for new schools and this year is primarily about funding operations.

Heather Cox addressed the Board in support of the Proposed FY 14 School Budget. Ms. Cox stated that Montgomery County is far below the state level for per pupil expenditures and it is discouraging that the state continues to cut funding for education. She also expressed concerns with teacher salaries and that the proposed 2% increase is just a start.

Phyllis Albritton , School Board Member, urged the Board of Supervisors to start a discussion with Virginia Tech and Virginia Tech Foundation to contribute some way to the tax base in Montgomery County. She expressed concerns that large parcels of land are tax exempt and how Virginia Tech Foundation is buying up land in the County. Ms. Albritton also shared a conversation she had with Jerry Higgins, Superintendent for Blacksburg-Christiansburg- VPI Water Authority, on the decrease in field trips to the Water Treatment Plant. According to Mr. Higgins, students express interest in the area of water treatment after tours, and this is how he finds future employees.

Chris Jordan addressed the Board in support of the Proposed FY 14 School Budget. Ms. Jordan stated that the school system cannot afford to continue to cut their budget. The County needs to protect the future of the county by investing in education. She wanted the Board of Supervisors to be made aware of the efforts by school employees to do their best when they are being burdened more with lack of compensation and supplies. Ms. Jordan stated underfunded schools can continue to try but cannot do as well as fully funded schools.

There being no more speakers, the public address session was closed.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated February 11, 2013 was approved. The vote was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
James D. Politis	

## **Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously, the minutes dated September 24 and September 27, 2012 were approved.

## **Appropriations and Transfers**

### **A-FY-13-61 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PAYMENT**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

810	Economic Development	\$66,618
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>	
02 413ARE	2013A Real Estate
	\$66,618

Said resolution appropriates funds to Economic Development for incentive payments.



**A-FY-13-62**  
**EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR**  
**REGIONAL RADIO CACHE GRANT**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

111	Emergency Services Coordinator Grants	\$100,000
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>	
02111-424401	State Grants
	\$100,000

Said resolution appropriates regional radio cache grant funds.

**A-FY-13-63**  
**TRANSFER FIRE AND RESCUE CAPITAL RESERVES FUNDS**  
**TO FIRE AND RESCUE CAPITAL PROJECTS**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that a transfer of appropriation within the County Capital Projects Fund is hereby authorized, as follows:

<u>FROM:</u>		
123301	599000	Fire and Rescue Capital Reserve
		(\$601,000)

<u>TO:</u>		
123301	571050	Volunteer Fire Department Capital Projects
		\$601,000

Said resolution transfers Fire and Rescue Capital Reserve funds to consolidate monies within existing Fire and Rescue Capital Projects to purchase equipment approved by the Fire and Rescue Commission.

**A-FY-13-64**  
**SHERIFF**  
**RECOVERED COSTS**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

320	Sheriff County	\$12,420
322	Sheriff Project Lifesaver	<u>\$ 105</u>
	Total	\$12,525

The sources of the funds for the foregoing appropriation are as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
419108	Recovered Costs	\$12,420
424401	Project Lifesaver	<u>\$ 105</u>
	Total	\$12,525

Said resolution appropriates recovered costs and Project Lifesaver funds.

**Appointments**

**R-FY-13-80**  
**APPOINTMENT**  
**NEW RIVER COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**  
**AND PRETRIAL SERVICES**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby reappoints **Lieutenant Buddy J. Smith, Jr.**, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, to the **New River Community Corrections and Pretrial Services** effective February 24, 2013 and expiring February 23, 2015.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**R-FY-13-81  
RESOLUTION GRANTING A UTILITY EASEMENT  
TO THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Gary D. Creed and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby conveys a twenty-foot (20') wide water line easement shown more particularly on the attached Plat entitled "Plat showing New Public Water Easement being granted to the Montgomery County Public Service Authority by the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors across Tax Map No. 060-1-A, ID. 070690, dated 16 January 2013" to the Montgomery County Public Service Authority on the former Elliston Elementary School Property identified as Tax Map No. 060-1-A , Parcel ID. Number 070690.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chair, James D. Politis to affix his signature to all necessary documents required to convey the easement.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

**AYE**

Christopher A. Tuck  
Matthew R. Gabriele  
Gary D. Creed  
Annette S. Perkins  
William H. Brown  
Mary W. Biggs  
James D. Politis

**NAY**

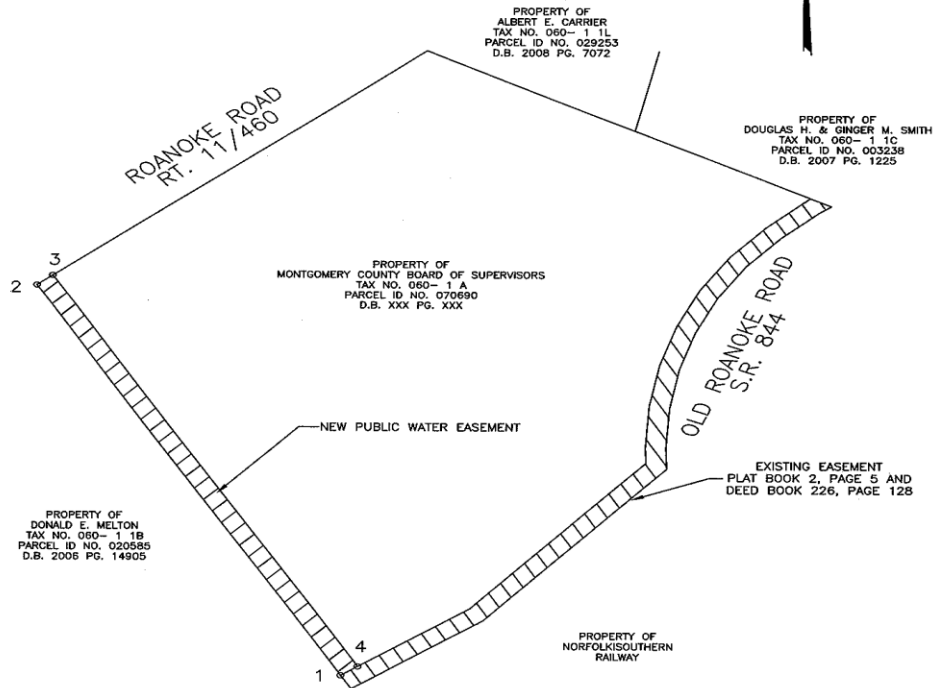
None

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# NEW PUBLIC WATER EASEMENT

LINE	DIRECTION	DISTANCE
1-2	N30°55'W	584.5'
2-3	N51°24'E	20.18'
3-4	S30°55'E	586.09'
4-1	S56°00'W	20.03'

EASEMENT AREA = 11,705.63 S.F.



## NOTES:

1. THIS EASEMENT PLAT WAS PREPARED BASED UPON A SURVEY PREPARED BY E. STALEY CLEMENTS, JR. DATED 30 DECEMBER 1960 AND RECORDED IN THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 5 AND REFERENCED IN DEED BOOK 226, PAGE 128.
2. TOTAL AREA OF NEW WATER EASEMENT = 11,705.63 S.F.
3. IT IS THE EXPRESS INTENT OF THIS PLAT TO CREATE A NEW PUBLIC WATER EASEMENT.

PLAT SHOWING

## NEW PUBLIC WATER EASEMENT

BEING GRANTED TO

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY

BY

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ACROSS TAX MAP NO. 060-1 A, ID NO. 070690

THIS PLAT IS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE  
OF CREATING A NEW PUBLIC  
WATER EASEMENT AS SHOWN HEREIN  
AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN ACTUAL  
BOUNDARY SURVEY.



SHAWSVILLE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA

MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY

SCALE: 1" = 200'  
DATE: 16 JANUARY 2013

SHEET 1 of 1

**R-FY-13-82**  
**DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**  
**ON JANUARY 30, 2013 DUE TO**  
**EXCESSIVE FLOODING AND POWER OUTAGES**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia, on January 30, 2013 at 10:00 p.m. a local emergency was declared in Montgomery County due to excessive flooding, road closures and power outages throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, Due to the flooding, a condition of peril to life and property necessitated the proclamation of the existence of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, This declaration was determined necessary by the Emergency Services Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors could not convene to declare a local emergency and so the Board desires to confirm at their next regularly scheduled meeting the existence of a local emergency due to severe flooding throughout the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that an emergency existed throughout the County of Montgomery, Virginia on January 30, 2013; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, That during the existence of said emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Services Coordinator shall be those prescribed by state law and the ordinance, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Montgomery in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE

Matthew R. Gabriele  
Gary D. Creed  
Annette S. Perkins  
William H. Brown  
Mary W. Biggs  
Christopher A. Tuck  
James D. Politis

NAY

None

**R-FY-13-83**  
**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT**  
**THE CROOKED ROAD PROPOSED DESIGNATION FOR**  
**NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA**

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby supports The Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail and its mission to support economic development in Southwest Virginia by celebrating, preserving and promoting the region's rich musical heritage; and

WHEREAS, The Crooked Road Board of Directors has determined that the organization should research and pursue National Heritage Area designation for The Crooked Road through the National Park Service and the U.S. Congress; and

WHEREAS, The Crooked Road has held public input sessions throughout the 19 county, 4 city and over 50 town region of Southwest Virginia, to present the benefits of a National Heritage Area designation and to receive public comment; and

WHEREAS, The Crooked Road has proposed to include provisions in the designating legislation to ensure that such a designation will have no effect on property rights or local zoning; and

WHEREAS, The recognition and potential funding to be attained through this designation will have a positive and lasting impact on Montgomery County and the entire Southwest Virginia region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia does formally endorse the National Heritage Area designation of The Crooked Road, and does formally request that the National Park Service, Congressman Morgan Griffith, Congressman Robert Hurt, Senator Mark Warner, and Senator Tim Kaine take the necessary steps to expedite this designation for the benefit of all Southwest Virginians.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE

Gary D. Creed  
Annette S. Perkins  
William H. Brown  
Mary W. Biggs  
Christopher A. Tuck  
Matthew R. Gabriele  
James D. Politis

NAY

None

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

The County Administrator reported that there are two vacancies on the Economic Development Authority. The Board of Supervisors will be seeking applicants to fill these two positions. Vacancy notices will be published in the Burgs Section of the Roanoke Times and also posted on the County's website.

## **BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS**

**Supervisor Brown** commended Neal Turner, County's Emergency Services Coordinator, for keeping residents in the McCoy area of the County informed during the recent flooding. The NRV Junction along the New River was flooded. Supervisor Brown stated the first responders did an excellent job.

**Supervisor Biggs** reported on January 30, 2013, that Nannie Hairston was one of eight individuals who received the 2013 **Strong Men & Women in Virginia History**. In observance of Black History Month, the Library of Virginia and Dominion Virginia Power are honoring eight distinguished Virginians as the 2013 **Strong Men & Women in Virginia History** for their contributions to Virginia and the nation. Those being honored this year include men and women who were born into slavery but rose to become legislators and educators, as well as those who continue to push back frontiers in their communities, the military, and even space.

The Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library will host a local celebration for Mrs. Hairston at the Christiansburg Library on Sunday, February 24, 2013 from 2 to 4 p.m. They will present the Board of Supervisors' resolution recognizing Mrs. Hairston for receiving the 2013 **Strong Men and Women in Virginia History** award.

Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) Annual Legislative Day was held January 31, 2013 in Richmond. Supervisor Biggs commended VACo and the Virginia Municipal League (VML) for doing an excellent job this year. The Chair, County Administrator, and herself attended and they made contact with all the County's legislative representatives to ask that they lobby for more funding for Montgomery County. Supervisor Biggs expressed her appreciation to all the citizens who either went to Richmond to lobby or contacted our local legislators supporting more funding.

**Supervisor Tuck** announced there are vacancies on the Planning Commission in District A, F and G.

**Supervisor Gabriele** reported Ben Norris from Blacksburg won a gold medal in the 2013 Special Olympics World Games in PyeongChang, South Korea. He won the gold medal in the Alpine Skiing event and placed seventh in the Alpine Intermediate Slalom event. Supervisor Gabriele requested a resolution recognizing Mr. Norris's accomplishments be placed on the Board's next agenda.

Senate Bill 701- Expanding the Definition of Prohibited Discrimination in State Government Employment Supervisor Gabriele asked fellow Board members if they would consider adopting a resolution supporting SB 701 in order to add a level of protection to the government hiring practices. Supervisor Gabriele made the motion, seconded by William H. Brown.

**R-FY-13-84**  
**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVAL OF**  
**PROPOSED SENATE BILL 701**  
**EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF PROHIBITED DISCRIMINATION**  
**IN STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT**

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 701 proposes to expand what is defined under State Law as prohibited discrimination in State Government Employment by adding that no State agency, institution, board, bureau, commission, council or instrumentality of the Commonwealth shall discriminate based on pregnancy, child birth or related medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation or status as a special disabled veteran to the current list of race, color, religion, political affiliation, age, national origin and sex; and

WHEREAS, The Senate has passed Senate Bill 701 and the Bill is currently in Committee for consideration on the House of Delegates side of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has and will continue to support equal employment and protections against discrimination in the work place; and

WHEREAS, To ensure citizens across the Commonwealth are afforded equal employment opportunities, the Board of Supervisors supports the provisions contained in Senate Bill 701 applying to all levels of government in Virginia and to private employment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby supports the passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 701 expanding protections from employment discrimination in State Government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby further supports future efforts to expand these provisions beyond State government to all levels of public and private employment affording all Virginia citizens equal employment opportunities.



The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE

Annette S. Perkins  
William H. Brown  
Mary W. Biggs  
Christopher A. Tuck  
Gary D. Creed  
Matthew R. Gabriele  
James D. Politis

NAY

None

**Board Reports Continued**

**Supervisor Creed** expressed concern that the County's Emergency Services Coordinator was not informed of the possible breach of two dams due to the extreme levels of flooding and that the County had to learn through the media. The County Administrator stated that the County should have been contacted and this oversight has been corrected for future notification.

**Supervisor Perkins** attended the Peppers Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment Authority meeting. The PFRWTA is in the process of developing their budget for FY 14.

Supervisor Perkins reported the Montgomery County Educational Foundation presented its first Annual Benefit Concert on February 2, 2013 at the Blacksburg Presbyterian Church. Performers included the Blacksburg Children's Chorale Chamber Choir, the Kipps Elementary School, Orff and Recorder Ensemble, the Blacksburg High School Madrigal Singers, the Children's Choir from Eastern Montgomery Elementary School, and Robert Chafin, tenor, and Erica Ann Sipes, piano.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday February 25, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

James D. Politis  
Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

F. Craig Meadows  
County Administrator